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PROGRESS ON MINGECHAUR GES: IDENTIFY LEADING PERSONNEL

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Completing the construction of the Mingechaur GES, which started in August 1945, is very important for developing industries and agriculture in Azerbaydzhan SSR. The GES will have the highest dam in the world. It will be built across the Kura River at the point where the Kura emerges from a large canyon at the foot of the Boz-Dag Mountain. The dam will form a gigantic reservoir in which spring flood waters will be stored and used for generating electric power, irrigation, and improving the navigability of the river between its estuary and the city of Evlakh. The reservoir will also help to control floods along the lower stretch of the river.

The year 1951 was decisive because construction was undertaken on a large scale and the work was more than 90 percent mechanized. However, very unfavorable geological conditions created a number of rather difficult engineering problems.(1) Nevertheless, the 1951 plan was fulfilled 100.4 percent, the cost of construction and installation work reduced 6.6 percent, and the efficiency of labor raised 36 percent above the established norm.

During 1951, the Mingechaurgesstroy (Mingechaur GES Construction Administration) has trained 1,106 qualified workmen instead of the 1,010 planned.(2) A new town for housing the builders has developed in the uninhabited steppes near the construction site. The town has schools, clubs, kindergartens, a water-supply system, and establishments for medical care.(1)

The following persons have been identified with one of the three organizations listed below, which are known to be connected with the construction of the Mingechaur GES.

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Mingechaurgesstroy

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Islam-Zade, I., chief; Domanskiy, V. E., chief engineer (2); Zagryazhskiy, A. A., deputy chief engineer (3); Guseynov, K. A., secretary of the party organization; Aslanov, A. B., chairman of the construction committee; Sadykhov, A. S., secretary of the komsomol organization; Baranov, K. B., chief mechanic; Abdullayev, A. A., chief of railroad administration; Uryvskiy, V., secretary of the party organization, same administration; Bessmertnyy, S. Z., chief of the workers' supply division; Saparov, S. A., chief power engineer; Aliyev, M. Kh., chief of construction adm nistration No 1; Badazyan, secretary of the party organization; Aslanov, R. K., chief of construction administration No 2; Kyasimov, secretary of the party organization.

Also, Mugimov, A. D., chief of construction administration No 3; Mamedov, secretary of the party organization; Grinberg, S. E., chief of construction administration No 4; Abushev, secretary of the party organization; Gasan - Zade, I. M., chief of construction administration No 5; Gerasimov, I. E., secretary of the party organization; Grishakov, Ya.P., chief of installation administration No 6; Faradzhev, secretary of the party organization; Kusov, Ch. K., chief of the office for excavation work; Kiyashko, I. I., secretary of the party organization; Gaymonsen, S. G., chief of the auto-transport administration; Sarkisyan, Zh., secretary of the party organization; Klestov, A., and Allakhverdiyev, brigade leaders; Lopatin, N. F., chief of the dredging administration; Suntsov, N., secretary of the party organization.

Gidromontazh Trust

Ivaniv, chief.

Gidroenergomontazh Trust

Tarabanov, chief.

BAKGIDEP (Baku Branch of the All-Union Institute for Planning Hydroelectric Fower Projects)

Bosovskiy, L. M., director; Durya, L. E., secretary of the party organization; Oganyan, S. A., chief of the planning group.(2)

SOURCES

- 1. Baku, Bakinskiy Rabochiy, 1 Jan 52
- 2. Ibid., 17 Feb 52
- 3. Moscow, Gidrotekhnicheskoye Stroitel'stvo, No 2, Feb 52

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